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From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

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| <p>Applicant's or agent's file reference SCB/PB60755</p> <p>International application No. PCT/EP2005/001938</p> <p>Applicant GLAXO GROUP LIMITED</p> | |
| <p>FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraphs 1 and 4 below</p> <p>International filing date (day/month/year) 22/02/2005</p> | |

1. The applicant is hereby notified that the International search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority have been established and are transmitted herewith.

Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19:

The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the International Application (see Rule 46):

When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally 2 months from the date of transmittal of the International Search Report; however, for more details, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.

Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO, 34 chemin des Colombettes
1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland, Facsimile No.: (41-22) 740.14.35

For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.

2. The applicant is hereby notified that no International search report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority are transmitted herewith.

3. With regard to the protest against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:

- the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices.
- no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.

4. Reminders

Shortly after the expiration of 18 months from the priority date, the International application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the International application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in Rules 90bis.1 and 90bis.3, respectively, before the completion of the technical preparations for International publication.

The applicant may submit comments on an informal basis on the written opinion of the International Searching Authority to the International Bureau. The International Bureau will send a copy of such comments to all designated Offices unless an International preliminary examination report has been or is to be established. These comments would also be made available to the public but not before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date.

Within 19 months from the priority date, but only in respect of some designated Offices, a demand for International preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant wishes to postpone the entry into the national phase until 30 months from the priority date (in some Offices even later); otherwise, the applicant must, within 20 months from the priority date, perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before those designated Offices.

In respect of other designated Offices, the time limit of 30 months (or later) will apply even if no demand is filed within 19 months.

See the Annex to Form PCT/ISA/201 and, for details about the applicable time limits, Office by Office, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume II, National Chapters and the WIPO Internet site.

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| Name and mailing address of the International Searching Authority  European Patent Office, P.O. Box 5818 Patentlaan 2 NL-2280 HV Rijswijk Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Fax. 31 651 epo nl, Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016 | Authorized officer Josef Ullrich |
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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

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| Applicant's or agent's file reference SCB/PB60755 | FOR FURTHER ACTION see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, Item 5 below. | |
| International application No. PCT/EP2005/001938 | International filing date (day/month/year) 22/02/2005 | (Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 24/02/2004 |
| Applicant GLAXO GROUP LIMITED | | |

This International Search Report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This International Search Report consists of a total of 4 sheets.

It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
- The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).
- b. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.
2. Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box II).
3. Unity of Invention is lacking (see Box III).
4. With regard to the title,
- the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
- the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:
PYRIDINE DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE AS CB2 RECEPTOR MODULATORS

5. With regard to the abstract,

- the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
- the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the drawings,

- a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. _____
- as suggested by the applicant.
- as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.
- as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.
- b. none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

PCT/EP2005/001938

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7 C07D213/74 A61K31/44 A61P25/06 A61P25/08

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHEDMinimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
IPC 7 C07D A61K

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the International search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, BEILSTEIN Data**C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT**

| Category | Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages | Relevant to claim No. |
|----------|---|-----------------------|
| A | US 5 112 820 A (WARD ET AL) 12 May 1992 (1992-05-12) cited in the application claim 1 ----- | 1-10 |
| A | EP 0 576 357 A (ELF SANOFI; SANOFI) 29 December 1993 (1993-12-29) cited in the application page 19, line 59 - page 20, line 7; claim 1 ----- | 1-10 |

 Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C. Patent family members are listed in annex.

* Special categories of cited documents:

- *A* document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance
- *E* earlier document but published on or after the International filing date
- *L* document which may throw doubt on priority, claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)
- *O* document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means
- *P* document published prior to the International filing date but later than the priority date claimed

- *T* later document published after the International filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention
- *X* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone
- *Y* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art
- *Z* document member of the same patent family

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| Date of the actual completion of the International search | Date of mailing of the International search report |
| 18 July 2005 | 03/08/2005 |
| Name and mailing address of the ISA European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2 NL - 2280 HV Rijswijk Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl. Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016 | Authorized officer Bakboord, J |

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORTInternational application No.
PCT/EP2005/001938**Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)**

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
Although claim 9 is directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound.
2. Claims Nos.: because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
3. Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this International application, as follows:

1. As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

Remark on Protest

- The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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Information on patent family members

International Application No

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| Patent document cited in search report | | Publication date | | Patent family member(s) | | Publication date |
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| US 5112820 | A | 12-05-1992 | NONE | | | |
| EP 0576357 | A | 29-12-1993 | FR AT AU BR BR CA CZ DE DK EP ES FI GR HU HU IL JP JP MX NO NZ RU SK TW US ZA | 2692575 A1 149489 T 4143893 A 1100409 A3 9302435 A 2098944 A1 9301172 A3 69308395 D1 576357 T3 0576357 A1 2101258 T3 932891 A 3023535 T3 222577 B1 64526 A2 106099 A 3238801 B2 6073014 A 9303664 A1 932296 A 247961 A 2119917 C1 65493 A3 494096 B 5624941 A 9304511 A | | 24-12-1993 15-03-1997 06-01-1994 13-10-1999 11-01-1994 24-12-1993 16-03-1994 10-04-1997 15-09-1997 29-12-1993 01-07-1997 24-12-1993 29-08-1997 28-08-2003 28-01-1994 15-07-1998 17-12-2001 15-03-1994 31-01-1994 27-12-1993 28-08-1995 10-10-1998 02-02-1994 11-07-2002 29-04-1997 22-02-1994 |